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*"It's an Old Family Tradition"*

**Jane Warren Waller  
(1924-1997)**



**Dedicated to our Mother, founding editor of "The Pioneers."  
By her children "Tony," Becky, Blake and Bruce.**

## Publication Information

Note to the reader: all links within this publication are to free websites. Some require a free quest account to access information.

Lincoln County Tennessee Pioneers v.28+ continues the journal of the same name published by my Mother, Jane Warren Waller, from 1970-1997. This revival is digital and freely available to anyone with a web browser. The link to each issue may be found at the TNGenWeb Lincoln [website](#); additionally, links to scanned copies of all prior paper issues may be found there.

One major difference between the old paper version and the digital version (PDF) is that the digital version has many links to other resources. Links to original documents (such as an image of a death certificate) and also links to “search pages” so that family historians may perform their own searches. Additional benefits of the PDF are ease of revision; and that it may be resized on the computer screen for ease of reading. Also, there is no need for an index since document searching replaces it AND Google will index all of it. A word or phrase in blue with a line indicates a link. Please “control click” on links as they are sometimes surprising.

After some names, you will see a reference number such as [LZDC-2HZ](#) which are links to Family Search Family Tree. “Control/click” retrieves the genealogical record for Samuel Jones, an early LCT pioneer. You may be prompted to log in or create an account.

Submissions for publication are welcome. Please contact the editor for more information: <mailto:george.a.waller@gmail.com>

My apologies for the late publication of this issue.

## Lincoln County Tennessee Archives

[Archives Webpage](#)

## Fayetteville--Lincoln County Library

[Library Webpage](#)

# Projects

## **1820 Annotated Census**

This is a nascent effort (modeled on Diane's 1850 database below) to document all 2,105 households enumerated in the 1820 LCT US census. Here is the link to this website: <http://dlctp.org/up/index.htm>

## **1850 Annotated Census**

An incredible [website](#) by **Diane Casey** with all of the 1850 LCT census and much more. This is her personal website which she has assiduously maintained since at least 2009. In the database, there are 24,334 people and 7,916 families.

## **Bibliography Project**

There are 909 free books/journals on FamilySearch which contain the phrase "Lincoln County Tennessee." If you find a good one, you may read it online or download it to your hard drive.

[https://www.familysearch.org/library/books/records/listing?search=%22lincoln%20county%20tennessee%22&sort=score&perpage=50&page=2&fulltext=1&&refine\[AccessLevel\]\[\]=Public&r&](https://www.familysearch.org/library/books/records/listing?search=%22lincoln%20county%20tennessee%22&sort=score&perpage=50&page=2&fulltext=1&&refine[AccessLevel][]=Public&r&)

[26 Websites to Find Digitized Books for Free](#)

[County histories by State](#)

## **Black Studies**

[George Gee \[GZWR-6PS\]](#)

The following is from:

**The Public Acts of the State of Tennessee passed at the first session of the Thirty Third General Assembly for the Year 1859-60. Page 491-2.**

Web Link to original: [Gee](#)

## CHAPTER 156.

AN ACT for the relief of A. P. Smith, Trustee of John Goodrich, deceased, and J. C. Goodrich, Administrator of said deceased, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, one George Gee, a freed man of color, died in the county of Lincoln, in this State, in the year 1850, leaving property to some extent, and leaving a wife, and children, that were then and still are slaves; and whereas, the said George Gee, before he died, made a last will and testament, which was duly proved and admitted to probate, in which he appointed said John Goodrich his executor, who qualified and entered upon the duties as such; and whereas, by said will, his property was directed to be sold and the proceeds to be applied by said executor, as trustee, for the benefit of his wife and children, and, whereas, said executor in his life time sold said property and made considerable advancements to said beneficiaries under said will; and that

said Goodrich before he died, made an assignment to one A. P. Smith, in trust, &c., who, as trustee, also made some payments, supposed in all to be about one thousand dollars; and, whereas, it is now ascertained that the bequests in said will are void; that said funds escheat to the State for want of heirs, and legally belong to the School Fund of the State; therefore,

SECTION. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, That the said administrator and trustee of said John Goodrich, deceased, in making settlement of this fund as directed in sections 2138, 2139, 2140, 2141, 2142 and 2143, chapter 6, article 2, part 2, of the Code, be allowed all reasonable and proper charges

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for the administration and taking care and managing this fund, with reasonable compensation for services, and that they be allowed a credit for such payments as have been made in good faith to the wife and children of said George Gee, or for their use and benefit; such payments as were in good faith, believing that they were in law entitled to receive the same under the will.

[Andrew J. Kennedy \[GZ4Z-V1C\]](#)

The following is from:

The Public Acts of the State of Tennessee passed at the first session of the Thirty Third General Assembly for the Year 1859-60. Page 492.

Web Link to original: [Kennedy](#)



WHEREAS, one Allen J. Kennedy, a freed man of color departed this life some forty years ago, in the county of Lincoln, leaving a wife and children, free persons of color, and also leaving property, amongst which, were some two town lots in the town of Fayetteville, Tennessee; that before he died he made a last will and testament, leaving said property to his wife and children; and, whereas, his widow still resides on said town lots, in Fayetteville, Tennessee; a portion of his children have died, and those living, now live in Liberia, on the coast of Africa, where the widow desires to emigrate; and, whereas, the youngest of said children, to wit: Martha, has died since the death of her said father, and whilst a minor, leaving a bastard minor child, which has also died; and, whereas, the interest of said Martha, in said property was inherited by the same minor child, who dying without heirs, this interest probably escheated to the State, as a part of the School Fund.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the surviving heirs of said Allen J. Kennedy receive, enjoy, dispose of and make to the interest of said Martha a title to said property; and the State hereby relinquishes all right, title and interest in the same as escheated property.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That this act take effect from and after its passage.

W. C. WHITTHORNE,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

TAZ. W. NEWMAN,

*Speaker of the Senate.*

Passed, March 21, 1860.

## Brick Walls

“Brick Walls” is reserved for readers to submit their personal genealogical mysteries. The submission should relate to one person who resided in LCT 120 years ago or more. Examples: “Who was Daniel Warren’s (1791-1876) father?” or “Where in North Carolina did xxx originate?” “What was the maiden name of xxx?” “What became of xxx?” The brick wall must have been researched thoroughly by the submitter. Sources and clues should be listed. An email address must be provided. Limit of 1,000 words. One submission per year. Submit to: George Waller <mailto:george.a.waller@gmail.com>

## Death Certificates

“This website is a directory of links to websites with online death indexes, listed by state and county. Included are death records, death certificate indexes, death notices and registers, obituaries, wills and probate records, and cemetery burials. You can also find information here about searching the Social Security Death Index online:” <https://www.deathindexes.com/>

### [Alabama Death Certificates, 1908-1974](#) (on Family Search)

You may find an index to all persons who were born in LCT and who died in Alabama. Click here: [LCT Deaths](#). By clicking on the name in the index, you will find more info about the person. Click this example: [Lue Thompson Jones](#). Note: the images of the death certificates are not online.

### [Illinois Death Records 1916-1947](#)

2,925,314 free online death certificates from 1914-1966.  
A search for “Lincoln County Tennessee” yields 406 individuals.



## Example:

<b>Name</b>	<a href="#"><u>Elvira Isabel Choate</u></a>
<b>Sex</b>	Female
<b>Age</b>	95y 4m 15d
<b>Death Date</b>	16 May 1923
<b>Death Place</b>	Carterville, Williamson, Illinois
<b>Occupation</b>	Retired
<b>Race</b>	White
<b>Ethnicity</b>	American
<b>Father's Name</b>	Eli Warren
<b>Mother's Name</b>	Ellen Whitehead
<b>Birth Year (Estimated)</b>	1828
<b>Birth Date</b>	31 Dec 1827
<b>Birthplace</b>	Lincoln Co., Tenn.
<b>Father's Birthplace</b>	Tenn.
<b>Mother's Birthplace</b>	Tenn.
<b>Spouse's Name</b>	<a href="#"><u>Jessie Choate</u></a>
<b>Burial Date</b>	17 May 1923
<b>Cemetery</b>	Hill Crest Cem.

## [Tennessee Death Certificates](#)

2,017,500 free online death certificates from 1914-1966.

A search for "Lincoln County Tennessee" yields

33,806 individuals.

## [Texas Death Certificates](#)

4,476,649 free online death certificates from 1890-1976.

A search for "Lincoln County Tennessee" yields 1,022 individuals.

## Churches of Early LCT

Source: U.S. Census of Denominations 1906 – Lincoln County, Tennessee

Denomination	Details	Members
Baptist	Southern & National Conventions	1787
Baptist	Free	0
Baptist	Free Will	0
Baptist	Duck River Baptist Church of Christ	0
Baptist	Primitive	455
Baptist	Primitive Colored	115
Congregationalist		0
Disciplines of Christ		0
Churches of Christ		730
Lutheran	United Synod in the South	0
Methodist Episcopal Church		94
Methodist Protestant Church		0
Methodist Episcopal Church, South		1874
African Methodists		988
Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.		0
Cumberland Presbyterian Church		1502
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church		546
Presbyterian Church in the U.S.		187
Presbyterian Associated Reformed	Synod of the South	406
Protestant Episcopal Church		25
United Brethren in Christ		46
Other Protestant Bodies		213
Roman Catholic Church		0
Jewish congregations		0
All other bodies		0
TOTAL		8968

## Digitizing Project

The purpose of this Project is to get more LCT genealogical sources online. As many know, I scanned and uploaded 25+ years of my mother's "Pioneers" for sharing. My mother did not believe in copyright and said "I want to share." If you have or know someone who has copyrighted material it would be great to release the copyright and I will scan and upload if possible.

## Enslaved Persons

Name	Age	Date	Parent(s)	Enslaver	Source
Unnamed	3 weeks	1822	Clary?	Howell, Bennett B.	DB B212
Ann	c21	1820		Garvin, Archibald D. Kennedy, William E.	DB B27
Bob	c13	1813		McLemore, Micajah Summer, Daniel	DB B254
Bryant		1822		Howell, Bennett B.	DB B212
Carroline	c2	1820	Ann	Garvin, Archibald D. Kennedy, William E.	DB B27
Clary		1822		Howell, Bennett B.	DB B212
Crecy		1822		Howell, Bennett B.	DB B212
Delila	c8	1821		Garretts Hairston, Robert	DB B154
Eady		1822		Howell, Bennett B.	DB B212
Henry	27	1821		Royall, R. R. (or) Clements, Benjamin (ee)	DB B178
Jane	C8	1820		Lackey, Robert Street, John	DB B155
Patsey	c3	1821 1821		Steed, Mark McLemore, Sterling C.	DB B155
Sookey		1821		Taliaferro, Benjamin	DB B148
Tilman		1822		Howell, Bennett B.	DB B212

## Enslavers

Name	Date	Enslaved Persons	Source
Clements, Benjamin	1821	Henry	DB B178
Garrett, Agatha	1821	Delila	DB B154
Garrett, Eli	1821	Delila	DB B154
Garrett, Polly	1821	Delila	DB B154
Garrett, William	1821	Delila	DB B154
Garvin, Archibald D.	1820	Ann, Carroline	DB B27
Hairston, Robert	1813	Bob	DB B154
Howell, Bennett B.	1822	Bryant, Clary, Crecy, Eady, Tilman	DB B212
Kennedy, William E.	1820	Ann, Carroline	DB B27
Lackey, Robert	1820	Jane	DB B155
McLemore, Micajah	1813	Bob	DB B154

McLemore, Sterling C.	1821	Patsey	DB B155
Royall, R.R.	1821	Henry	DB B178
Street, John	1820	Jane	DB B155
Summer, Daniel	1813	Bob	DB B154
Taliaferro, Benjamin	1821	Sookey	DB B148

## Family Search

[Table of Contents](#) with Clickable Links to about 300,000 images of early LCT records.

[Search Engine](#) to early images of many U.S. Counties.

Here is an example of an 1822 deed for 2,473.5 acres in LCT on the Elk River.

Land originally granted to [James Clendining](#) in 1784. [LCT DB:218](#)

## Genealogical Self Education

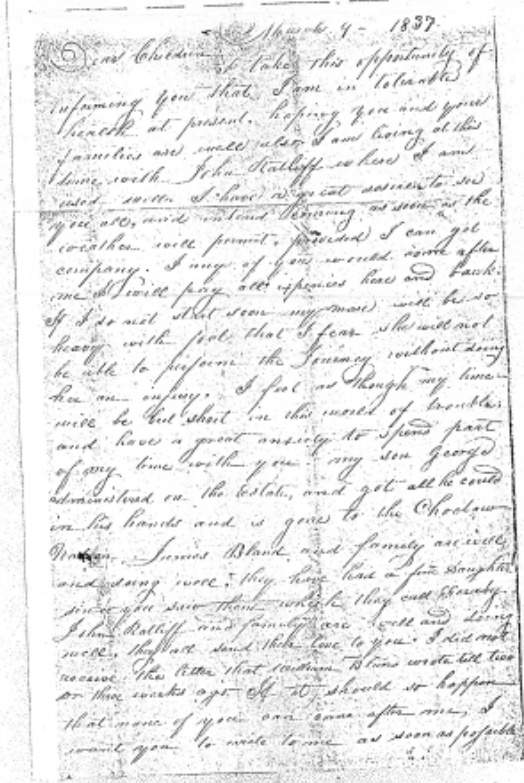
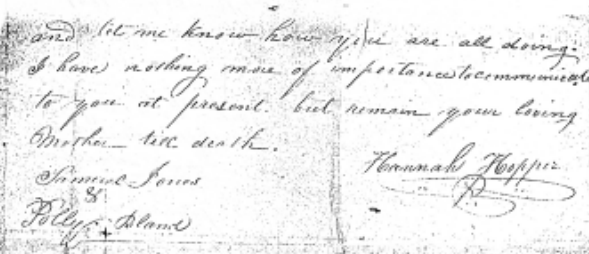
[Family Tree Webinars](#) (free) (thanks Diane Casey)

[FamilySearch Webinars](#) (free)

## Gleanings from Correspondence

In 1837, Hannah Hopper [\[2Z4C-951\]](#) of Blountsville, Alabama mailed a letter (not emailed)

😊 to her daughter Polly Bland [\[G93P-7L5\]](#) and son Samuel Jones [\[LZDC-2HZ\]](#) both of LCT.

Original	Transcription	Commentary
 	<p>March 4 [or 9] – 1837.</p> <p>Dear Children, I take this opportunity of informing you that I am in tolerable health at present, hoping you and your families are well also. I am living at this time with John Ratliff where I am used [?] well. I have a great desire to see you all, and intend coming as soon as the weather will permit, provided I can get company. If any of you would come after me I will pay all expenses here and back. If I don't start soon my mare will be so heavy with foal that I fear that she will not be able to perform the journey without doing her an injury. I feel as though my time will be but short in this world of trouble and have a great anxiety to spend part of my time with you. My son George administered on the estate, and got all he could in his hands and is gone to the Choctaw Nation. James Bland and family are well, and doing well, they have had a fine daughter since you saw them which they call Feraby. John Ratliff and family are well and doing well, they all send their love to you. I did not receive the letter that Hannah Bland wrote till two or three weeks ago. If it should so happen that none of you can come after me, I want you to write to me as soon as possible.</p> <p>Hannah Hopper</p>	<p>It is roughly 80 miles from Fayetteville to Blountsville and an unencumbered mid aged person could make the trip in about 3-4 days in good weather on a good horse. On the other hand, Hannah was about 75 and would be riding a pregnant mare. Her husband George Hopper had died the year before and her son George had run off with the inheritance to Mississippi. Her son Samuel in Tennessee was 60 with about 6 children still at home there. Also in Tennessee, Hannah's daughter Polly (Mary) was living as the widow of John Bland. My guess is that some of Hannah's Tenn. family went down for a visit. We may never know.</p>

	that William Bland wrote till two or three weeks ago. If it should so happen that none of you can come after me, I want you to write to me as soon as possible and let me know how you are all doing. I have nothing more of importance to communicate at present but remain your loving mother till death. [signed] Hannah X Hopper. [Addressed to] Polly Bland & Samuel Jones.	
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## Land Grants

[NC Land Grant Data and Images](#) are also being digitized as part of this project:

[North Carolina Historical Records Online \(NCHRO\)](#)

These two websites were recently described in this article: [Buy Some Land](#).

A search of the surname Dance and the county Nash found these:

Name	County	Issued	Entered	Acres	Location	File #	Details/Images ...
Etheldred Dance	Nash	1784-11-01	1782	300	On the waters of Tosnot and on the little Swamp	375	<a href="#">PtBk</a>
Ezekial Dance	Nash	180-11-19	1796	300	On N. side of Turkey Creek	569	<a href="#">PtBk</a>

## LCT Webpages

[The Fayetteville-Lincoln County Museum & Event Center](#)

[Lincoln County, Tennessee Genealogy and History](#)

[Lincoln County, Tennessee Genealogy](#) (LDS Wiki)

[USGenWeb/TNGenWeb Lincoln County](#)

[Chestnut Ridge Cousins](#)



## LCT FaceBook groups

[Lincoln Co. TN Genealogy Chat](#)

[Lincoln County, Tennessee- People and Places](#)

[Fayetteville - Lincoln County, TN - HOME SWEET HOME](#)

[Kelso, Tennessee](#)

[Chestnut Ridge Cousins Genealogy - Middle Tennessee](#)

## Letters

The editor encourages readers to send scanned letters from or to LCT residents. Letters must be dated before 1921. After scanning the letters, please email them to the editor. If possible, also send a typed version of the letter and any explanations.

**Email:** [\*\*george.a.waller@gmail.com\*\*](mailto:george.a.waller@gmail.com)

## Maiden Names

Examples for LCT from various sources. The focus is on marriages before 1838 when LCT began recording county marriages.

Name	Year Source	Father/Mother/Spouse	Father/Mother/Spouse
McEwen, Mary	1820 <a href="#"><u>DB B:102</u></a>	McEwen, Ebenezer (S)	Edmston, William (F) of VA-Washington
Porter, Elizabeth	1821 <a href="#"><u>DB B:148</u></a>	Porter, Reese (S)	Taliaferro, Benjamin (F)

## Military – Civil War

[Petersburg Sharp Shooters 13 June 1861](#)

[Confederate Veteran \(published 1893-1932\)](#)

## Ministers of Early LCT

If we know the minister who married a couple, that may identify which Church they attended.

1=Waller, J. LCT Marr. (1838-1850) 2: FayObs (1850-) 3: Marsh, LCT Marr. (1838-1850)

Name	PID/FSID	Denomination	Dates	Location	Source
Alexander, A,	?		1845		3
Anderson, Richard	?		1843		3
Ashby, Travis	<a href="#">KK1G-5MB</a>		1847		3
Bearden, Lemuel	?		1843		3
Bedwell, E.M.	?		1841		1
Bell, John	?		1838		1
Bradshaw, A.	?		1843		3
Brandon, Lemuel Robert	<a href="#">KF5F-WB6</a>		1849		3
Bridges, Willis	?		1845		3
Bryan, John	?		1847		3
Bryson, Henry B.	<a href="#">LZJ1-DPB</a>	Presbyterian	1827	Prosperity	<a href="#">Online</a>
Bryson, John Hannah	<a href="#">LZJ1-614</a>		1850		3
Burgess, W.	?		1847		3
Chaddick, S.R.	?		1849		3
Chadick, William D.	?		1847		3
Chiles, Thomas	<a href="#">KNWV-73P</a>		1838		1
Cole, J.D.	?		1843		3
Conger, Isaac	?	Methodist	1810		1
Copeland, John	<a href="#">L6SS-37G</a>		1841		1/3
Copeland, M.J.	?		1849		3
Cowan, S.M.	?		1841		1
Crook, David	?		<a href="#">1838</a>		1
Dance, Stephen M.	<a href="#">2RBW-SDC</a>		1848		3
Davis, John	?		1848		3
Dean, Jeremiah	?		1846		3
Dickson, S.C.	?		1848		3
Douthit, Ira E.	?		1848		3
Dunlap, W.C.	?		1846		3
Ellis, R.	?		1841		1
Farris, C.B.	?		1843		3
Gale, William	?		1847		3
Gattis, William			1845		3

Gibson, Albert G.			1841		1/3
Gilbert, A.B.			1839		1
Gill, William A.			1848		3
Gilmore, A.J.			1848		3
Graham, J.W.			1843		3
Green, J.G.			1842		3
Griffin, T.			1845		3
Hamilton, J.W.			1847		3
Hillman, Matt			1847		3
Hollis, J.B.			1842		
Holloway, Joseph H.			1841		1
Holman, J.W.			1851	Mulberry	<a href="#">2</a>
Husband, W.R.J.			1846		3
Jacks, D.			1842		3
Jenkins, W.			1842		3
Jones, Leroy			1850		3
Kimbrough, Bradley			1843		3
Larkins, Henry			1845		3
Leftwich, J.H.			1839		1
Levesgul, William			1848		3
Marshall, Matt			1841		1
Martin, W.J.H.			1846		3
Martin, Wm			1839		1
McClure, J.R.			1847		3
McGuire, Cornelius			1842		3
Merrell, Alphas			1847		3
Mitchell, David L.			1846		3
Mitchel, D.F.			1846		3
Monday, Robert			1838		1
Moore, G.W.R.			1848		3
Ogden, J.W.			1848		3
Parkes, Woodruff			1850		3
Pickens, A.M.			1841		1
Porter, H.S.			1840		1
Puckett, G.W.			1843		3
Ralston, Samuel S.			1840		1
Ray, J.			1847		3
Record, S.			1850		3
Rowe, Philip			1843		3
Scivally, John			1845		3

Shadick, W.J.			1846		3
Sloan, Archibald Strong		Presbyterian ARP	1848	Prosperity	
Smith, A.G.			1847		3
Smith, Joseph			1840		1
Spearman, J.W.			1849		3
Stevenson, Jas.			1852		<a href="#">2</a>
Sumner, M. Henry			1848		3
Swenson,			1848		3
Towry, Martin			1847		3
Trantham, Mathew			1849		3
Wagster, J.W.			1850		3
Warren, H.B.			1843		3
Warren, John			1843		3
Wear, John C.			<a href="#">1838</a>		1
Weaver, John			1840-3		1
Whitman, R.M.			1848		3
Wilson, Rev Mr			1852		<a href="#">2</a>
Winn, G.W.			1849		3
Yarbrough, S.S			1845		3
Young, ? L.			1841		1
Young, Thomas S.			1841		3

## Newspapers

The daily crescent. [volume], December 04, 1848, Morning, Image 3  
About [The daily crescent. \[volume\] \(\[New Orleans, La.\] 1848-1851](#)

DEATHS OF PUBLIC MEN.—Colonel Andrew A. Kincannon, a conspicuous democrat, died at Columbus, Miss. on the 18th ult., aged fifty-one years. A native of Virginia, he removed to **Lincoln county, Tennessee**, at an early age, and was elected sheriff, and member of the convention which formed the present constitution of that State. In 1838, he was appointed Indian Commissioner, in Mississippi, and removed to Columbus. In 1840, he was a member of the Mississippi Legislature; and in 1845, received from President Polk the appointment of United States Marshal for the Northern District of Mississippi. He was highly esteemed in all the relations of private life.—*Mobile Register*.

The Daily clarion. [volume], April 01, 1876, Image 2

About The Daily clarion. [volume] (Jackson, Miss.) 1866-1888

THE Holly Springs Reporter announces the death, at his home in that city, of Hon. W. F. Mason, in the seventy-sixth year of his age. He was born in Baltimore, Md., 24th January, 1800, and emigrated to Fayetteville, Lincoln county, Tennessee, in 1818, where he married; thence to Pulaski, Giles county, in 1835 or 1836, thence to Holly Springs, in 1840, in the month of January, having previously commenced business there in 1837 or 1838. He had filled various offices of public trust, among them a seat in the State Senate. He was held in the highest esteem by his fellow-men.

Fayetteville Observer, Thursday, October 19, 1871

"The Good, the Bad, the Curious"

A page from 150 years ago.



### Died Among Strangers.

Several months ago Dr. J. R. Blake, of Fayetteville, Tennessee, left his home to seek for health and strength, being affected with consumption, among the mountains and valleys of New Mexico. He hoped that out-door exercise in the dry, pure air of that elevated region would restore him to health, but his hopes were in vain. He had waited too long, and the fell destroyer had too firmly a hold, had sapped too surely the fountains of life, and he discovered that his struggles against his dire enemy were in vain. His one thought and hope then was to get back to his home and those he loved and who loved him, in Fayetteville, Tennessee, there to die, and he at once set out on his journey. He got as far back on his homeward track as this city on Monday last, when he was too weak to travel further, and being out of funds he was sent to the city hospital. Wednesday night he died, far away from the ministrations of relatives and friends, but he had every care and attention and all was done that could be to soothe his dying hours.

The business transactions of my life have been of that character which has brought me into connection, more or less intimate, with a great number of individuals; some of whom would doubtless have detected any disposition on my part to practice fraud or deceit, had any such principles existed in my bosom—and if, for my own personal interest, no such principles were found to exist in my character—they surely would not develop themselves in my connection with the bank, in which my own personal interest was so small and so remote. I came from Fayetteville, Tennessee, to this place in the fall of 1835—there are many persons, citizens of this county, who knew me there—I ask the people of Marshall to investigate my acts since I have lived among them, and for my character in Tennessee, I refer to John Gibbons, Littleberry Le Seur, William Mason, H. H. Whitaker, Esq, John Gattis, and Robert Hairston, citizens of your county, and all others of my acquaintance in Tennessee.

I desire a full and fair investigation, and now, fellow-citizens, if you shall be satisfied that my intentions have been good, and that I have demeaned myself honestly in my connection with the bank, I may reasonably hope that your minds will not be unnecessarily prejudiced against me at the approaching election of an individual to fill the responsible office of Sheriff of your county, and that you will not visit accumulated misfortunes upon one whose entire means have already been sacrificed by the institution.

A. C. McEWEN.

Holly Springs, July 28th, 1841.

## Photos

Who doesn't love photos? Especially of ancestors, loved ones, relatives, and even strangers.

**My Grandmother, Susie Holloway Vance was crowned Queen at the Black (colored) Lincoln County Fair for selling the most raffle tickets for the wringer washing machine pictured. Proceeds went to build The Donaldson Hospital. Mrs. Frances Wilson came in second.**







**Lynda M Eddins Croom**

Wringer Washing Machine given away at the Black Lincoln County Fair. Pictured on the right is Dr Donalson and Coach William Battle.



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**Lynda M Eddins Croom**

**George Waller** you have my permission to use them both

## Place Names

The Geographic Names Information System (GNIS) has a list of place names for the United States. There are 1000+ place names for LCT:

[LCT Geographic names](#)

Name	Earliest Known Mention	Source	Comment		
Buchanan Creek	8 Nov 1809	DB A:4	Branch of Elk		
Cane Creek	17 Dec 1794	DB A:29	N Branch Elk		
Coldwater Creek	12 Nov 1808	DB A:35	Branch of Elk		
Craigshead Creek	1 Feb 1810	DB A:24	Branch of Little River		
Elk River	17 Dec 1794	DB A:29			
Kellys Creek	9 Jan 1810	DB A:9	S branch Elk		
Little River	11 Nov 1792	DB A:17	N branch Elk		
Mulberry Creek	15 Aug 1792	DB A:101	N branch Elk		
Norris Creek	6 Feb 1810	DB A:1	N branch Elk		

Source: DB=Deed Book of LCT

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Mimosa (copied with permission from Bobby Glenn Lanier in the [Lincoln County, Tennessee- People and Places](#) Facebook website.



### Mimosa

Mimosa, six miles northeast of Fayetteville midway the beautiful Mimosa valley with its smaller valley's (Hamestring and Lane Branch) and hollows (Waggot, Possum, Toddy, Redd Paint, Wells, and Shoestring) began to be settled as early as 1806 following the treaties with the Cherokees and Chickasaws.

Among the early settlers before 1820 were the Alexanders, Ashbys, Bates, Coalters, Congers, Forresters, Moores, Pamplins, and Pibas. By 1840, the Boaz, Buntleys, Deals, Graces, Hudsons, Johnsons, Keiths, Lanes, Mills, McAfees, Steetmans, and Warden's had established homes.

At the peak of its life as a village, Mimosa had three stores, two blacksmith shops, a miller, three distilleries, a physician, and a post office, first known as Bucksnot, later changed to Mimosa. Today, a paved main road extending the length of the valley and county water lines through the areas make the community a close unit with the entire county.

The first church, Old Canaan Methodist (1814) was built in Hamestring Valley by Isaac Conger, the first Methodist circuit rider in the county. Bucheye Baptist Church (1834), Beech Grove Methodist (1882), and the Church of Christ (1947) continue to be active.

Four known one-room schools (Lane Branch, Big Hungry, Johnson, and Longview) were replaced in 1911 by a handsome stone structures built by the people of the community, two hired builders and a \$400.00 contribution from the country. The building committee listed on the building stone was: J. J. Waid, C. H. Conger, J. M. Pamplin. Builders were: Finney and Brown.

Students who attended the school and made recognized contributions were: Albert Hines, writer and philosopher for the Nashville, Tennessee; Willa Mai Waid, composer and lyricist of the Iris Time in Tennessee, adopted as an official state song in 1935; and Malcome Tate, widely known organist.

Since 1954, the school building, in excellent repair with its original metal shingle roof, has been used as a community center.

Until recent years, the land provided food and fiber for the independent inhabitants. The Pamplin apple orchard was a popular source of apples for Lincoln County. The raising of livestock and hay is the main farm industry today with many people employed in industries in Fayetteville.

The Mimosa type of soil designated on the national classification of soil types is named for Lincoln County's Mimosa.

In the early 1920's, the Leonard Little farm produced an international grand champion short horn bull.



Queries will not be published in this journal as they are typically undocumented, ephemeral and too brief to be of much use. However see above for a section called “Brick Walls” for detailed LCT genealogical conundrums submitted by readers.

## Tax Lists


A very important resource for family historians. Information includes Civil District of residence, name, number of acres owned, value of acreage, number of slaves owned, value of slaves, whether a poll tax was incurred, miscellaneous property, total tax for the individual. A valuable description of taxation laws may be found [here](#).

A sample tax book page is shown here:

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## Tombstones

[Find-a-Grave](#) search for LCT yields 41,282 graves which may be greatly overstated (or not)


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### CPT Cadwalder Jones Claiborne

BIRTH	7 Jan 1787
DEATH	11 Dec 1870 (aged 83)
BURIAL	<a href="#">Claiborne Cemetery</a> Petersburg, Lincoln County, Tennessee, USA
MEMORIAL ID	128836076 · <a href="#">View Source</a>



### Rev Thomas Childs

BIRTH	9 Mar 1796
DEATH	17 Aug 1872 (aged 76)
BURIAL	<a href="#">Childs Cemetery</a> Lincoln County, Tennessee, USA
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## World Trees

World Trees are a collaborative effort to put all people into one tree. World trees are the future of genealogy. FamilySearch Family Tree is likely to still exist 100 years from now. That's the bright side. The downside is that collaborative means that you may enter information and later someone else disagrees and changes what you entered. The answer is twofold: arbitrators can resolve disagreements (as WikiTree does) and/or we must keep our information in our own files. Here are three World Trees:

[Family Search Family Tree](#): Free. This is the world's largest collaborative tree with 1.2 billion persons.

No arbitration. Each person has an ID: the editor's mother is: [MW4S-JBW](#).

[WikiTree](#) Free. 26 million names. Arbitrators resolve disagreements.

The editor's great-grandfather is: [Warren-3692](#)

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The editor highly recommends these publications. Especially the Heritage of Lincoln County which for \$100 (including shipping) is a bargain considering that it contains more information than any other book. Spanning over 800 pages, the book has 1,903 genealogical entries of the early and later families of the county. A full name index is at the end.

# Pioneers of LCT Genealogical/Historical Research

## Jane Warren Waller



Jane as a Nursing Home Volunteer.



50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Family Reunion

11 Nov 1971, Jane W. Waller wrote about *Pioneers*: "It kind of writes itself...with just the data I have, I could keep it going for the next 50 years."

Unfortunately, Jane herself couldn't keep going for the next 50 years as we all would have hoped. This issue then is dedicated as a memorial to her. She spent 40 years researching her family, all of which had been in Lincoln County since before the Civil War. As such, despite the almost exclusive focus on Jane's life and family, the subject matter is quite appropriate for this journal. In this issue, there are many quotes from Jane's mother Ora S. Warren describing the personal life of Jane's ancestors. Without these quotes, the list of ancestors would have been a drab citation of names, places, and dates. Genealogists, of course, are often delighted with just those simple details, but when we find something that makes our people "come alive" we are doubly thrilled.

Quoting from Ora S. Warren's letter of 17 Sep 1963 to Jane W. Waller:

"You can always put a lot of credence in those old tales for they put stress on handing them down instead of records. I can understand why. Time so hard they didn't even have paper to write on. I've heard Mrs. Warren [Ora's mother-in-law] say 'Not one scrap (even the smallest trimming) was ever burned or thrown away.' A rag man would come & buy them for paper."

Jane Helen Warren was born December 4, 1924, in Civil District 8, Lincoln County, Tennessee. She was the daughter of Horace Blakely Warren and Ora Bell Smith and on both sides her ancestors were from Lincoln County since before the Civil War ended. Jane's favorite ancestor was Mazie Dance (Jane loved to dance.) She graduated from Lincoln High School in the top three of her class and then entered the University of Tennessee (Martin Branch) graduating in 1945.

Jane met her husband-to-be at a soldiers' dance in Tullahoma, Tennessee and when he returned from World War II they were married on June 30, 1945. Her husband was George Frank John Waller who was from Chicago. In the next 52 years they and their children lived in Indiana, Tennessee, Texas, New York, Rio de Janeiro Brazil, Connecticut, Illinois, and Texas. Jane died Easter morning, March 30, 1997, in Conroe, Texas. She was survived by her husband and their four children: George Anthony Waller of Connecticut, Rebecca Ann Hall of Clarksville, Tennessee, Blake Edwin Waller of Denmark, South Carolina, and Bruce Albert Waller of Conroe, Texas.

Jane became interested in genealogy when my brother Blake was born in 1956. His baby book had a family tree to complete. For the next 40 years she explored the history of our families. Her ancestry included four Revolutionary patriots, and four Confederate soldiers (three of whom died in that War). She published many books and for 25 years she published *Lincoln County [Tennessee] Pioneers* which amounted to 2,500 pages at her death.